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College Football

Sooners' Mayfield wins Heisman

Former walk-on wins trophy in landslide

By RALPH D. RUSSO
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Baker Mayfield took a unique road to the Heisman Trophy, a long and winding climb from walk-on to one of the most accomplished players to ever play college football.



Mayfield

The brash, flag-planting Oklahoma quarterback became the sixth Sooner to win Heisman on Saturday night in one of the most lopsided votes in the 83-year history of the award.

Stanford running back Bryce Love was the runner-up, making it five second-place finishes for the Cardinal since 2009. Louisville quarterback Lamar Jackson, last year's Heisman winner, was third, the best finish by a returning winner since Tim Tebow of Florida in 2008.

Mayfield received 732 first-place votes and 2,398 points. Love had 75 first-place votes and 1,300 points and Jackson received 47 and 793. Mayfield received 86 percent of the total points available, the third-highest percentage in Heisman history behind Ohio State's Troy Smith (91.63 percent) in 2006 and Oregon's Marcus Mariota (90.92) in 2014.

Mayfield is the third player to win the Heisman heading to the College Football Playoff. The second-ranked Sooners meet No. 3 Georgia in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1. He is the first senior to win the award since Smith and the first Heisman winner to begin his career as a walk-on since athletic scholarships started in the 1950s.

"It's been a tough journey," Mayfield said during his acceptance. See HEISMAN/2B

Pro Basketball

Blazers lose fifth straight game



Golden State Warriors' Klay Thompson (11) shoots over Portland Trail Blazers' Al-Farouq Aminu (8) and Meyers Leonard, right, during the first half of Monday's game in Oakland, Calif.

Durant, Thompson team up to shoot
Warriors past Blazers

By JANIE MCCAULEY
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Kevin Durant had 28 points, nine rebounds, five assists and three blocked shots, leading the short-handed Golden State Warriors past the sluggish Portland Trail Blazers 111-104 on Monday night.



Klay Thompson overcame a cold shooting start to score 24 points as Golden State played without two-time MVP

Stephen Curry, who is nursing a sprained right ankle and missed his third straight game. Draymond Green sat out with a sore right shoulder while starting center Zaza Pachulia was sidelined for his second game in a row because of soreness in his left shoulder.

Damian Lillard scored a season-high 39 points with five 3-pointers playing back home in Oakland. He hit a 3-pointer late in the first half with Durant in his face and pumped his arm to celebrate.

Durant, who earned Western Conference Player of the Week honors on Monday, shot 11 for 21 and Nick Young contributed 12 points in 13 minutes off the bench before leaving with a concussion in the third quarter.

David West scored in double figures over consecutive games for the first time with the Warriors and his first since 2015-16 for San Antonio.

Rookie Jordan Bell scored in double figures for the second time with 11 points, while Omri Casspi and Shaun Livingston also started for the defending champions, who were coming off a 6-0 road trip. It marked the franchise's first time doing so in that long of a stretch away from home.

Now, the Warriors will get to stay home for almost the entire rest of the year except for a trip to face the Lakers on Dec. 18.

CJ McCollum scored 21 points

See BLAZERS/2B

MLB

The rich get richer: Yankees get NL MVP Stanton from Marlins



New Yankee Giancarlo Stanton answers questions during a press conference at the Major League Baseball winter meetings in Orlando, Fla. on Monday.

By RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Now slugging for the Bronx Bombers, Giancarlo Stanton.

Stanton's trade to the New York Yankees from Miami was finalized Monday, a deal that sent second baseman Starlin Castro and two minor leaguers to the Marlins for the NL MVP.

"They're winners," Stanton said during a news conference on the opening day of the winter meetings. "They're young and they're in a good position to win for a long time, and I lost for a long time. So I want to change that dynamic and be a winner."

He joins a team that reached Game 7

Trade Details

- **New York receives:** OF Giancarlo Stanton, cash considerations.
- **Miami receives:** INF Starlin Castro, RHP Jorge Guzman*, INF Jose Devers*.

*-minor league prospects

of the AL Championship Series against Houston with a young roster that includes young sluggers Aaron Judge, Gary Sanchez and Greg Bird. The Yankees expect top infield prospect Gleyber Torres to join the big league team next season.

"New York's a marquee town, and I think it's important to have some marquee players," Yankees owner Hal

Steinbrenner said. "But more important than that, I think it's important to have veteran players that could be mentors for the young kids."

Stanton, a 28-year-old who like Judge plays right field, is owed \$295 million over the final decade of his record \$325 million, 13-year contract. The Marlins, with former Yankees star Derek Jeter as their new CEO, will send \$30 million to the Yankees if Stanton doesn't exercise his right to opt out of the deal and become a free agent after the 2020 season: \$5 million each on July 1 and Oct. 1 in 2026, 2027 and 2028. Under a change in baseball's new labor contract, that money will be prorated for the luxury tax and Stanton will count as \$22 million annually.

See STANTON/2B

Sports shorts

EOU's Arenas named First Team NAIA All-American linebacker

LA GRANDE — Michal Arenas needs to make more room in his trophy case.

The Eastern Oregon senior linebacker from Winnemucca, Nevada picked up a NAIA First Team All-American honor by the American Football Coaches Association on Monday. Arenas was also voted as the Frontier Conference Defensive Player of the Year in November after leading the Mountaineers defense with 89 total tackles, 6.5 tackles-for-loss and two sacks.

He becomes EOU's first All-American pick since wide receiver Jace Billingsley was voted to second team in 2015.

"He's been a great teammate, it's a great honor that he's won this postseason award," EOU coach Tim Camp told EOUsports.com.



Arenas

"I remember, before I got into the emergency surgery, the last thing I was telling the doctors was, 'Please, save my leg!' Because I knew that something wasn't quite right just in the way my leg was feeling and the way it was filling up. I knew we had issues."

— Zach Miller

Chicago Bears TE returned to the team facility on Monday, six weeks after a freak in-game injury required emergency vascular surgery to save his left leg. Doctors had to repair an artery in the leg that was injured after dislocating his knee after making a catch during a game in New Orleans.

Patriots' win streak snapped with 27-20 loss to Dolphins

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Tom Brady was intercepted twice by Xavien Howard and held without a third-down conversion Monday night, and the Miami Dolphins snapped the New England Patriots' eight-game winning streak with a surprising 27-20 victory.

The Dolphins (6-7) were 11-point underdogs at home, but they kept the Patriots (10-3) from clinching their ninth consecutive AFC East title for another week.

Brady went 24 for 43 for 233 yards and one touchdown. Miami sacked him twice and hit him five times, and held the Patriots to 25 yards rushing. New England was 0 for 11 on third down.

The Dolphins' Jay Cutler threw for 263 yards and three scores, including two to Jarvis Landry. Kenyan Drake had 114 yards rushing and 79 receiving.



THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1965 — Chicago's Gale Sayers scores six touchdowns with 336 combined yards to lead the Bears to a 61-20 rout of the San Francisco 49ers. The six TDs give Sayers an NFL-record 21 for the season. Sayers' first TD is a reception, the next four rushing and the final, an 85-yard punt return.

1971 — Bobby Hull of the Chicago Blackhawks scores his 1,000th point with an assist in the first period of a 5-3 victory over Minnesota.

2015 — The Golden State Warriors' NBA-record start ends at 24 wins when the Milwaukee Bucks beat them 108-95.

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